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Kentucky Recycling Assistance Section

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RLA Branch Hosts New Solid Waste Coordinator Training

The Recycling and Local Assistance (RLA) Branch instructed 59 individuals during its inaugural cycle of New Solid Waste Coordinator Training for RLA Plans, Reports and Grants.

The trainings, which took place at the BRADD office in Bowling Green on Feb. 23 and the KRADD office in Hazard on March 1, focused on the requirements of solid waste management areas in order to meet state regulations. The trainings also included an overview of grant programs funded by the Kentucky Pride Fund and the Waste Tire Trust Fund. Specifically, solid waste coordinators learned the basic requirements of how to complete and update solid waste management plans, how to prepare solid waste plan annual reports, how to apply for and implement grant programs such as litter abatement, illegal open dump cleanups, recycling, household hazardous waste, waste tires and crumb rubber.

Shannon Powers, Billy Hill, Grant White, Chris Craig, Donna Conway, Lisa Evans, Lisa Butler and Tom Heil presented on their respective areas of expertise.

"These trainings helped the new coordinators understand more about their positions and how those positions relate to what we do in RLA," said Powers, the training organizer. "also, everyone was able to hear the same message at the same time from RLA representatives who handle those particular programs."

According to evaluation sheets collected at the end of each training session, the new coordinators found the trainings to be very beneficial.

Spring 2016 Waste Tire Collection Events Schedule

Last week, the Spring 2016 Waste Tire Collection Events kicked off in McCreary County of the Lake Cumberland ADD and Hardin County in the Lincoln Trail ADD. The rest of the schedule is as follows:

- March 31, April 1 & 2—Pulaski & Grayson

- April 7, 8 & 9—Wayne & Meade
- April 14, 15 & 16—Clinton & Breckinridge
- April 21, 22 & 23—Cumberland & LaRue
- April 28, 29 & 30—Russell & Nelson
- May 5, 6 & 7—Adair & Washington
- May 12, 13 & 14—Green & Marion
- May 19, 20 & 21—Casey & Taylor

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Best Buy Announces E-scrap Collection Changes

According to *Resource Recycling*, Best Buy has announced it will begin charging for TVs and computer monitors customers bring into the company's store for recycling.

The changes, which end the retailer's long-running free recycling services for TVs and computer monitors, were explained in a blog post by Laura Bishop, the company's vice president of public affairs and sustainability.

"E-waste [sic] volume is rising, commodity prices are falling and global outlets for recycled glass, a key component of TVs and monitors, have dramatically declined," Bishop wrote. "While providing recycling solutions for our customers is a priority, Best Buy should not be the sole e-cycling provider in any given area, nor should we assume the entire cost."

Best Buy will charge \$25 per TV or monitor turned in at its stores, while it will stop collecting the items in Illinois and Pennsylvania, states that restrict companies from charging "nominal fees."

The company will continue to provide free recycling for a variety of other products, including printers and batteries.

While the company will no longer rely solely on e-Stewards-certified companies for its recycling services, Bishop said it will still require recycling companies it works with to be certified to either R2 or e-Stewards.

COMMODITY	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Mar-15
<u>PAPER-\$/TON</u>	RISI Official Board Markets (Midwest/Chicago area) FOB							
-	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Mar-15
#2 mixed paper	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$45-50	\$40-45	\$30-35
#37 sorted office paper (SOP)	\$125-135	\$120-130	\$115-125	\$105-115	\$105-115	\$105-115	\$110-120	\$135-145
#8 ONP	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$45-50
#40 sorted white ledger (SWL)	\$220-230	\$210-220	\$200-210	\$190-200	\$190-200	\$190-200	\$190-200	\$230-240
#11 OCC	\$75-80	\$75-80	\$70-75	\$65-70	\$60-65	\$60-65	\$60-65	\$60-65
<u>PLASTICS-¢/LB.</u>	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - FOB							
-	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Mar-15
#1 PET - mixed (clear & green)	\$0.12	\$0.10	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.13
#2 HDPE (natural-milk jugs)	\$0.25	\$0.26	\$0.27	\$0.29	\$0.28	\$0.27	\$0.26	\$0.26
#2 HDPE (colored-detergent btls.)	\$0.15	\$0.18	\$0.22	\$0.25	\$0.21	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.23
<u>GLASS-\$/TON</u>	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered							
-	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Mar-15
clear (flint)	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$31.00	\$31.00	\$32.00
brown (amber)	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$28.00	\$28.00	\$22.00
green	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$13.00	\$13.00	\$11.00
<u>METALS</u>	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Baled/Densified							
-	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Mar-15
aluminum beverage cans (UBC) cents/lb.	\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.55	\$0.54	\$0.59	\$0.60	\$0.79
	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Baled							
	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Mar-15
steel cans \$/TON	\$45-90	\$35-90	\$20-40	\$24-32	\$22-32	\$45-78	\$70-90	\$85-100



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